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Congratulations to Michelle Manning, shown here at 7 months into her pregnancy. Michelle gave birth to Isaiah (5 lbs. 15 oz.) on January 20th.

You may remember Michelle from our Fall Banquet. She shared her thankfulness to Gateway for the support she received during her pregnancy.



Many thanks to Pastor Frederick Mackey of Evangel Baptist Church, Springfield, for all his encouragement and support of the Gateway ministry. Pastor Mackey is shown here at the January 23rd. Elizabeth "Open House". More than 50 attended, prayed and rejoiced at what the Lord is doing 'two floors below' Steven Brighams abortion facility.

SAVE this DATE!

Saturday, May 13, 2000

Gateway's 10th Annual "Walk-for-the-little-ones"

Recent Email Received!

Christine, age 23, is from New Brunswick. She wrote: "We are two extremely responsible college students who have been sexually active.and using condoms for about 4 years now. I realize the chance of pregnancy in this situation is probably very low, but is backup prevention (i.e. morning-after pill) warranted?" We wrote back to Christine with the truth about the so-called morning-after pill.

Joanna, wrote back to us recently, stating: "I just wanted to let you guys know, even though you won't like my decision, I terminated th pregnancy. It's not something I'm proud of. When I was talking to Lauren, she told me about her ring. The ring she had was supposed to symbolize her future husband, the one she was saving herself for. So even though I know I can't go back in time and change what I've done, I've decided to get my own ring. From now on I'm going to wait. So I would like to thank Lauren for inspiring me to change. I would never be able to bear going through the same ordeal twice."



Sharmaine was so thankful to Gateway for what they did for her, she named her baby after her counselor - SARA!

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Gateway's Next Volunteer Training

March 23 and 30 from 7:00-10:00 pm and March 18 and 25 from 9:00am to 3:00 pm at the Irvington center

Recent Email received:



<u>Reminder!</u> Thursday, October 5, 2000 Banquet 2000 -- Our 10th. Anniversary Special Guest speaker: Mrs. Elisabeth Elliot Music by: Robin Youtkus

A few of Mrs. Elliots books
you may wish to read:
The Savage My Kinsman
Through gates of Splendor
Shadow of the Almighty
A Chance to Die

Praise the Lord!

Dean was privileged to meet with Dr. Steven Chase Brigham for over two hours on January 20th., at the Albany County Jail. Steven is serving a four month sentence for tax fraud. Be sure to checkout the full story in the upcoming *LifeTimes*, mid-winter edition.

Keep in prayer...

- 1. Rev. Chris Larson, Gateway Board member, recovering from hepatitis.
- 2. Eric Harrah's physical and spiritual health
- 3. Gateway's need for additional volunteer counselors

Nakia's Story

"Right around May, 1999, Dean and I were at the Kean College Health Fair.

At that time, a young lady, Nakia, age 18, received some information about Gateway. She came to the center a few days later, with her boyfriend, who was totally 'abortion minded'. Nakia viewed the video "Christi's Choice". She found it "interesting". The boyfriend left the center, and we were better able to speak with Nakia. She was thinking clearer. She desired to keep the baby, but there was the pressure of her being a student, and having her own agenda.

Sara C. tried to follow up with her by telephone and letter, but to no avail. All we could do was to hope and pray that she make the right decision.

In October, a full five months later, Nakia stopped in to Gateway to let us know that she had changed her mind, and was now 7 months pregnant.

When I asked Nakia what changed her mind about the baby, she stated: "I decided not to think about what the baby's father wanted and began thinking what I wanted. I want this baby."

Nakia wants to finish college. Her grandmother will help in taking care of the baby. On January 6th., a baby boy, Shamyr, was born to Nakia! Praise the Lord!

--- by Joan Vitale